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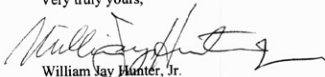
National Marine Fisheries Service
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707 West Main Street, Suite 500
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Dear Fishery Service and Corp of Engineers:

I'm writing to urge removal of four lower Snake River Dams. This extraordinary step seems to me to be essential to save endangered salmon species. As I understand the finding of the Fisheries Service's draft science paper, only dam removal can restore the Snake River basin salmon to healthy numbers. Furthermore, it appears treaty obligations require this action. The incalculable cost of salmon extinction and the expense of retaining the dams should be considered when weighing alternative actions.

Please decide to remove the dams. I would appreciate your putting my comments in the administrative record.

Very truly yours,



William Jay Hunter, Jr.

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